IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16 and 19 and add new claim 20 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A tool for use in fitting pipes comprising: an upper handle, a lower handle, said upper handle pivotally joined to said lower handle, an upper jaw, said upper jaw attached to said upper handle, a lower jaw, said lower jaw attached to said lower handle, an adjustable ram, said ram affixed to said upper jaw, said ram defining a tip, said ram tip projecting from said upper jaw towards said lower jaw, a means to adjust said ram, said adjustable means removable from said ram, said lower jaw defining a depression opposite said ram, said depression shaped complementary to said ram tip, whereby pivoting said handles ~~allows said ram to contact an item therebetween to form a dimple thereon by said ram~~ to close said jaws on an item therebetween allows said ram and said depression to form a dimple on said item that extends from said ram tip and projects into said depression.

2. (Original) The tool of claim 1 wherein said ram is threadably affixed to said upper jaw.

3. (Currently Amended) The tool of claim 1 further ~~comprises~~ comprising a lock nut, said lock nut affixed to said ram.

4. (Currently Amended) The tool of claim 1 wherein said adjusting means comprises a ~~wrench~~ wrench, a threaded member, said threaded member attached to said upper handle, and said depression is V-shaped.

5. (Original) The tool of claim 1 wherein said upper and lower handles are joined to lock onto an item placed between said jaws.

6. (Currently Amended) A tool for fitting pipes comprising: an upper handle, a lower handle, said upper handle pivotally joined to said lower handle, an upper jaw, a lower jaw, said upper jaw joined to said upper handle and said lower jaw joined to said lower handle, a pair of ram ~~members~~, said ram ~~members~~ positioned in said upper jaw, said lower jaw defining a first depression opposite one of said rams, whereby pivoting said handles will cause said ram members to form dimples on an item placed between said jaws.

7. (Original) The tool of claim 6 wherein one of said rams is adjustable.

8. (Currently Amended) The tool of claim ~~6 wherein said~~

~~lower jaw defines a depression opposite one of said rams, one of said rams is threadably attached to said upper jaw.~~ 7 further comprising a means to adjust said adjustable ram, said adjustable means removable from said adjustable ram.

9. (Currently Amended) The tool of claim 6 wherein said lower jaw ~~defines a pair of depressions opposite said pair of rams~~ further defines a second depression opposite the other one of said rams and positioned contiguous said first depression.

10. (Currently Amended) A method for forming dimples in a tubular member using a tool having pivotable jaws with ~~at least one ram and a punch~~ with a pair of rams attached to one jaw and projecting therefrom towards the other jaw, and the other jaw defining a pair of depressions opposite the rams, the method comprising the steps of:

a) placing ~~a tubular member between the jaws,~~ one of the jaws inside the tubular member and the other jaw outside the tubular member; and

b) pivoting the jaws against the tubular member to form a pair of dimples in the tubular member.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10 ~~further~~

~~comprising the step of opening the jaws to remove the tubular member therefrom~~ wherein placing one of the jaws inside the tubular member comprises the step of placing the rams inside the tubular member and the depressions outside of the tubular member.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10 further comprising the step of adjusting ~~the ram~~ at least one of the rams.

13. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein pivoting the jaws against the tubular member comprises the step of manually pivoting the jaws.

14. (Currently Amended) A method of forming ~~a dimple in a~~ dimples in tubular member with a tool having a pair of pivotally attached handles with opposing jaws, an adjustable ram attached to ~~a jaw, and the jaw attached to one handle of a pair of handles,~~ the jaw of one handle and a punch attached to the jaw of the other handle, and a means to adjust the ram, comprising the steps of:

a) placing ~~a tubular member between the jaws,~~ one of the jaws along the inside of the tubular member with the other jaw outside the tubular member;

b) ~~contacting the ram with a means to adjust the same;~~ adjusting the ram;

~~c) removing the adjustable means from the ram;~~ and

~~d)~~ c) pivoting the jaws against the tubular member to form ~~a dimple~~ a pair of dimples in the tubular member ~~with the ram~~.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 14 wherein ~~adjusting the ram comprises rotating the ram with a wrench~~ pivoting the jaws comprises the step of forming a pair of dimples with each dimple extending in a different direction.

16. (Currently Amended) A method of forming an indentation in a tubular member with a tool having an adjustable ram attached to one of a pair of jaws, ~~the jaw attached to one~~ the other jaw defining a depression opposing the ram, each jaw attached to a different handle of a pair of pivotable handles and a removable means to adjust the ram, comprising the steps of:

a) contacting the ram with ~~an adjustable~~ said removable adjustable means;

b) adjusting the ram within ~~the jaw~~ a jaw;

c) removing ~~the adjusting~~ said adjustable means from the ram;

d) placing one of said jaws inside a tubular member ~~between the jaws~~ and

the other jaw outside the tubular member; and

e) pivoting ~~the jaws~~ said jaws against the tubular member to form a dimple ~~in the tubular member~~ therein.

17. (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein adjusting the ram includes the step of locking the ram in place.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16 wherein ~~the step of~~ adjusting the ram ~~comprise~~ comprises the step of locking the ram in place using a lock nut.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16 wherein pivoting the jaws comprises the step of ~~pivoting jaws capable of forming a pair of dimples in the tubular member~~ receiving the dimple in the depression.

20. (New) The tool of claim 1 further comprising a punch, said punch affixed to said lower jaw proximate said depression, said punch projecting from said lower jaw towards said upper jaw whereby closing said jaws on said item therebetween allows said punch to form a mark on the item that extends towards said upper jaw.